

entitled "General Schedule Locality Pay Areas" (RIN3206-AL27) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 1, 2009; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3285. A communication from the Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Services, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Closure" (RIN0648-XR32) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 2, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3286. A communication from the Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Services, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Modification of the Gear Requirements for the U.S./Canada Management Area" (RIN0648-XR42) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 2, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3287. A communication from the Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Services, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Scup Fishery; Adjustment to the 2009 Winter II Quota" (RIN0648-XQ56) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 2, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3288. A communication from the Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Services, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; Closure of the July-December 2009 Commercial Fishery for Vermillion Snapper in South Atlantic" (RIN0648-XR06) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 2, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3289. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries in the Western Pacific; Compensation to Federal Commercial Bottomfish and Lobster Fishermen Due to Fishery Closures in the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument, Northeastern Hawaiian Islands" (RIN0648-AW52) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 2, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3290. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Services, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Ocean Perch for Vessels in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Trawl Limited Access Fishery in the Western Aleutian District of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XR78) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 2, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. HARKIN for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

\*M. Patricia Smith, of New York, to be Solicitor for the Department of Labor.

\*William E. Spriggs, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

\*Joseph A. Main, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health.

\*Regina M. Benjamin, of Alabama, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, subject to qualifications therefor as provided by law and regulations, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service for a term of four years.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 1759. A bill to authorize certain transfers of water in the Central Valley Project, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 1760. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with regard to research on asthma, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. VITTER):

S. 1761. A bill to provide an extension of the low-income housing credit placed-in-service date requirement for certain disaster areas; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself and Mr. BROWN):

S. 1762. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to expand and intensify programs of the National Institutes of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to translational research and related activities concerning Down syndrome, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. BUNNING (for himself, Mr. JOHANNES, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. VITTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. RISCH, Mr. GREGG, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. ENZI, Mr. BURR, Mr. CORKER, Mr. KYL, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. ALEXANDER, and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. Res. 307. A resolution to require that all legislative matters be available and fully scored by CBO 72 hours before consideration by any subcommittee or committee of the Senate or on the floor of the Senate; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. SHELBY (for himself and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. Res. 308. A resolution recognizing and supporting the goals and ideals of National Runaway Prevention Month; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. DODD, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. FEINGOLD, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BAYH, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. Con. Res. 46. A concurrent resolution recognizing the benefits of service-learning and expressing support for the goals of the National Learn and Serve Challenge; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 497

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. KAUFMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 497, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize capitation grants to increase the number of nursing faculty and students, and for other purposes.

S. 500

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 500, a bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to establish a national usury rate for consumer credit transactions.

S. 524

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. LEMIEUX) was added as a cosponsor of S. 524, a bill to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to provide for the expedited consideration of certain proposed rescissions of budget authority.

S. 526

At the request of Mrs. McCASKILL, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 526, a bill to provide in personam jurisdiction in civil actions against contractors of the United States Government performing contracts abroad with respect to serious bodily injuries of members of the Armed Forces, civilian employees of the United States Government, and United States citizen employees of companies performing work for the United States Government in connection with contractor activities, and for other purposes.

S. 624

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 624, a bill to provide 100,000,000 people with first-time access to safe drinking water and sanitation on a sustainable basis by 2015 by improving the capacity of the United States Government to fully implement the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005.

S. 653

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 653, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the writing of the Star-Spangled Banner, and for other purposes.